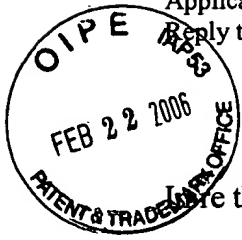


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Reply to Office Action of September 22, 2005



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In re the Application of:

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Applicants request a two-month extension of time for responding to the outstanding office action. The time for response is thus extended up to and including February 22, 2005. Accordingly, please charge the associated extension fee of \$225.00, as well as any other fees that may be necessary, to Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

In response to the Office Action mailed September 22, 2005, please amend the instant application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.